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In re Application of: Thomas T. ALLGEUER et al.

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MOLDING PROCESS

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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Sir:

In the communication mailed August 5, 2003, the examiner entered a restriction requirement pursuant to Rule 499 as follows:

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| Group I | Claims 1-31, and 35-47 drawn to a monolayer or multi-layer film, a composite using the film, an article using the film and the use of the film; |
| Group II | Claims 32-34, drawn to the process for making the monolayer or multi-layer film. |

Applicant elects Group I, claims 1-31 and 35-47, with traverse.

To the extent the examiner asserted that Groups I and II do not relate to a single general inventive concept because "claim 32 is either obvious over or anticipated by US 4,183,889," the applicant notes that claim is a dependent claim 1.

Hence, the allegations of obviousness/anticipation, lack of a single inventive concept, lack of a technical feature linking the claims, and the restriction are erroneous.

Withdrawal of the restriction requirement and examination of all of claims 1-47 are respectfully requested.

Other issues.

Please note that the attorney docket number has changed from ADVA:005 to ADVA:012. Kindly change the PTO's internal database to reflect the same.

In addition, applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the examiner two applications which claim priority to the same US provisional applications and which were filed on the same date in the US prior to the conclusion of the PCT application. In particular, the examiner's attention is referred to:

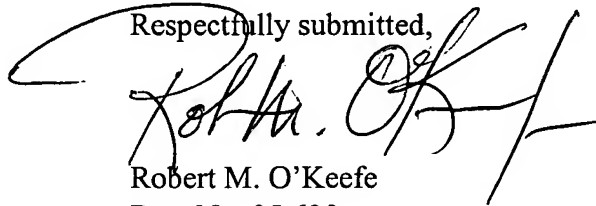
SN 10/031,625, a nationalization of International Application No. PCT/US00/19319, and

SN 10/031,302, a nationalization of International Application No. PCT/US00/19318.

CONCLUSION

No fee is believed to be due; however, should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Deposit Account No. 10-1205/ADVA:012.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert M. O'Keefe", is written over the typed name and title.

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